



Future Force Integration Directorate (FFID)

Army Evaluation Task Force (AETF)



In June 2006, the Department of the Army established the Future Force Integration Directorate (FFID) within the Army Capabilities Integration Center (ARCIC), U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC).

Since then, ARCIC has executed a three-phased operation to establish FFID, drawdown the Unit of Action Maneuver Battle Lab (UAMBL), while simultaneously producing Doctrine, Organization, Training, Materiel, Leader Development, Personnel, and Facilities (DOTMLPF) products to support the Future Combat Systems (FCS) BCT and Spin Out development.

FCS is the Army's premier modernization effort. Together, the FFID and the Army Evaluation Task Force (AETF) will conduct extensive training, testing, and evaluation of FCS Spin Out and Core program technologies to rapidly integrate approved technologies into current Modular Force and set conditions for the future Modular Force.



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FFID's mission is to integrate modernization efforts in support of Army transformation to provide FCS enabled modular brigades beginning in FY 2010 and a FBCT by 2017 to Joint Force Commanders. Key tasks in support of its mission include:

- Demonstrate the capabilities, benefits, and necessity of FCS.
 - Inform stakeholders of transformation and modernization efforts at modular brigade and below
 - Demonstrate FCS capabilities to enhance the current force
- Develop creative, agile, adaptive Soldiers and Leaders capable of exercising future Battle Command in Full Spectrum Operations.
- Integrate an advanced network that supports future battle command at brigade level and below.
- Synchronize all training, testing, and evaluation activities that support Spin Outs, Complementary Systems, and Core programs.
 - Prepare, synchronize, evaluate, deliver, and refine DOTMLPF products and solutions
 - Document DOTMLPF requirements and recommend adjustments

Army Evaluation Task Force (AETF)

The AETF's mission is to build and train a combat ready force, thoroughly grounded in current Army doctrine, and incorporate all FCS technologies and capabilities to create the Army's first FCS Brigade Combat Team and complete all development and test requirements.

5th Brigade, 1st Armored Division (AETF) was established to support the evaluation of FCS. The unit is equipped and trained to conduct specific training on and testing of FCS technologies designated for evaluation in FY 2008.

The AETF was attached to TRADOC on 17 March 2007. It is organized and structured as a tactical unit to meet Spin Out training and testing, as well as Doctrine, Organization, Training, and Leader Development requirements. The Brigade has completed its baseline New Equipment Training and will soon transition to training on FCS-specific technologies in preparation for the first test event.